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with much skill, and show that great care been bestowed upon them. No one can fail to find them exceedingly helpful in studying Paul's involved and impetuous thoughts. A second characteristic element of the book is the writer's method of dealing with the theological ideas of the epistle. He gives them a large share of his attention. But he holds himself rigidly to the exegetical aspect of them, and thus imparts a peculiarly fresh and vital quality to his discussions, and succeeds in arousing new interest in what would otherwise be threshed-out straw. The pages which consider Paul's doctrine of justification (pp. 84-88) are a case in point, in which, while affirming the forensic element in it, the conclusion is reached that what is needed, in the consideration of this doctrine, "both for theology and exegesis, is a clearer perception of the Jewish formal element in Paul's modes of thought, and an equally clear discernment and recognition of his clear, strong grasp upon the facts of spiritual life which correspond to the judicial processes through which, in accord with his Jewish training, he conceives of the believer as passing."

It is to be understood, also, that the book is intended for use as well by those who are not students of the original as by those who are familiar with it. At the close of the volume a few pages are given to a suggestive outline plan for the study of the epistle. The type and paper are excellent; errors in the types are rare and comparatively unimportant—e. g., on page 47, line three from bottom, "verses 5 and 6" should be "verses 4 and 5." When a second edition is called for, the author would do well to add (1) an index of words and topics treated, and (2) a list of the authors and titles, etc., of the commentaries so frequently referred to throughout the exposition. In spite of abounding material upon this epistle, this work of Professor Stevens claims attention for its originality of method, together with its clearness and conciseness in presenting the thought of the best modern commentators. Preachers will find it useful as a basis for expository sermons, and private students could not obtain a better guide in so compact a compass and at so reasonable a price.

Burton's St. Luke.

The Gospel according to St. Luke. [The Expositor's Bible.] By Rev. Henry Burton. New York: A. C. Armstrong and Son. Pp. 415. Price \$1.50.

This book does not equal the expectations which have been aroused by its subject and by its presence in the excellent series of the Expositor's Bible. The writer cannot be simple. He drowns his subject in a avalanche of flowers. He is not satisfied to bring out the meaning of a passage, but must dress it up in fine language, adorn it with allusions and poetic expressions, until one forgets all about the thought. You cannot see the wood for the trees. In other respects the writer has dealt fairly enough with this Gospel, though he does not bring out clearly its distinctive features, nor does he profess to give a complete exposition, but only discussions of selected portions. There are two good chapters on the Ethics of the Gospel and the Eschatology of the Gospel. Surely the writer has missed a great opportunity to interpret this fine Gospel of Luke, and re-read for this generation the message which it brings to mankind.